

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

How many scholarships does the Foundation award?

Greater Worcester Community Foundation awards over 350 college scholarships every spring from 130 different scholarship funds. Each fund was created by a different donor and given specific eligibility criteria.

Who is eligible?

- You must live in Worcester County (located in central Massachusetts) to qualify for 99% of our scholarships.
- You must enroll full-time at an accredited college or university.
- You must be a graduating high school senior to be eligible for 90% of our scholarships
- You may be an undergraduate college student or a high school senior to be eligible for the remaining 10% of our scholarships, which have specific eligibility criteria these funds are listed as "current exceptions" in the Eligibility section our website

How much money is awarded in each scholarship?

Awards range from \$300 to \$5,000 toward one year of college. The average award size is \$1,500. The amount depends on the size of the fund and its guidelines. Many awards are renewable for subsequent years.

How do I apply?

Scholarships are awarded once a year in a competitive application process. Students apply using our online application form. Applying is free of charge. By submitting one application, each student is considered for <u>all</u> of our scholarships for which s/he is eligible.

When do I apply?

We begin accepting applications in January, and the application deadline is in the middle of March. Every applicant is notified by June 1 as to whether or not they have received a scholarship. Recipients' awards are mailed directly to their colleges in July.

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Visit our website in January for information about the application and our *mid-March deadline*. If you have questions, please call (508) 755-0980 or email *scholar@greaterworcester.org*. Thank you!